



# Fish Stock Sustainability Index (FSSI)

## Summary of Stock Status Determination Changes from April 1, 2007 through June 30, 2007

### Overview of overfishing status of FSSI stocks through June 30, 2007

- 180 stocks or stock complexes are known with respect to their overfishing status. Of these:
  - 136 stocks or stock complexes are not subject to overfishing.
  - 44 stocks or stock complexes have a fishing mortality rate that exceeds the overfishing threshold (i.e., is subject to overfishing).
- 50 stocks or stock complexes have overfishing thresholds not defined or applicable, or are unknown with respect to their overfishing status.

### Changes in overfishing status and/or score of FSSI stocks

- In the Southeast Region –
  - *Gulf of Mexico Red Grouper* is no longer subject to overfishing – score increased from 2 to 4 (see overfished changes).
- There are no changes to the other regions.

### Overview of overfished status of FSSI stocks through June 30, 2007

- 164 stocks or stock complexes are known with respect to their overfished status. Of these:
  - 118 stocks or stock complexes are not overfished (2 of these stocks are approaching an overfished condition).
  - 46 stocks or stock complexes are overfished.
- 66 stocks or stock complexes have overfished thresholds not defined or applicable, or are unknown with respect to their overfished status.

### Changes in overfished status and/or score of FSSI stocks

- In the Northeast Region –
  - *Silver Hake - Southern Georges Bank / Middle Atlantic* is now rebuilt – score increased from 3 to 4.

- In the Southeast Region –
  - *South Atlantic Gag* is now approaching an overfished condition (there is no change in score).
  - *Dolphin* is now above 80% of maximum sustainable yield – score increased from 3 to 4.
  - *Gulf of Mexico Red Grouper* is now rebuilt – score increased from 2 to 4 (see overfishing changes).
- In the Northwest Region –
  - *Pacific Ocean Perch* is no longer overfished (stock is still rebuilding) – score increased from 2 to 3.
  - *Longnose Skate* is not overfished and B/Bmsy is above 80% of maximum sustainable yield (stock was previously listed as unknown) – score increased from 0 to 2.5.
- There are no changes to the other regions.

### **Overview of overfishing status of non-FSSI stocks through June 30, 2007**

- 60 stocks or stock complexes are known with respect to their overfishing status. Of these:
  - 58 stocks or stock complexes are not subject to overfishing.
  - 2 stocks have a fishing mortality rate that exceeds the overfishing threshold (i.e., is subject to overfishing).
- 236 stocks or stock complexes have overfishing thresholds not defined or applicable, or are unknown with respect to their overfishing status.

### **Changes in overfishing status of non-FSSI stocks**

- There are no changes to any of the regions.

### **Overview of overfished status of non-FSSI stocks through June 30, 2007**

- 22 stocks or stock complexes are known with respect to their overfished status. Of these:
  - 21 stocks or stock complexes are not overfished.
  - 1 stock is overfished.
- 274 stocks or stock complexes have overfished thresholds not defined or applicable, or are unknown with respect to their overfished status.

### **Changes in overfished status of non-FSSI stocks**

- There are no changes to any of the regions.